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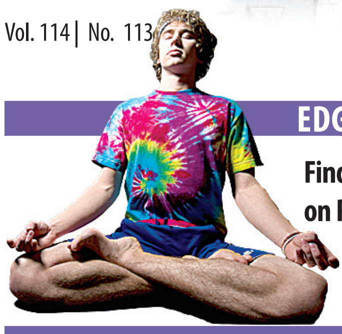

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By the busload

City plans for the possibility of federal funding for public transportation

By Elizaveta Zheganina
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

With a population of more than 50,000, Manhattan could be eligible for federal funding to support a public transportation system, and planning has already begun to implement a program.

Breaching the 50,000-population mark in the upcoming 2010 U.S. Census would make Manhattan an entitlement community, eligible for federal funding for a wide spectrum of different services, including public transportation, said Bernie Hayen, director of finance for the city of Manhattan.

The city commission first put together the Manhattan Area Transportation Strategy, an overarching community plan for transit, in 2001 as the first attempt to tackle the issue of public transit, said Bruce Snead, Manhattan city commissioner. The plan outlined a street-ready fixed two-route transit bus system complete with designated stops, schedule and budget requirements.

Since the community has grown in the past eight years, Snead said the initial plan needs an update. Anticipating Manhattan's eligibility for federal funding, a transit plan update committee, informally selected to revisit the original plan, has met twice since January.

Anne Smith, director of the ATA Bus, which currently provides public transportation in the area, said this committee initiated a process of securing funding to update the existing plan.

Employing a competitive process, the city plans to hire a consultant with transit planning expertise to lead the updating process, said Lauren Palmer, assistant city manager.

The city of Manhattan submitted an application to the Kansas Department of Transportation to secure funding for hiring a professional consultant. KDOT is expected to pay 80 percent of the upgrade's cost, while the local community would need to provide the remaining 20 percent.

The transit plan update committee has also focused on updating the original plan, re-estimating financial numbers and reevaluating the route. While many provisions of the original plan remain valid, the new plan would be impacted by the population growth.

While no set timeline for the updating process exists, results should be coming soon.

"I would say it is not going to be that lengthy of a process; we are not reinventing the wheel," Smith said. "I just do not foresee it taking a huge period of time."

NECESSITY OF FEDERAL FUNDING

However, because of the recession and increasing funding requirements for other purposes, it is unclear when Manhattan will be able to secure federal funding for transportation purposes, Hayen said.

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Manhattan's mass transit needs set to increase

By Elizaveta Zheganina
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Manhattan community has witnessed a significant increase in the number of people using public transit and in the amount of funds allocated for local transportation services.

In 2008, the Riley County Area Transportation Agency, which provides general public transportation service in Manhattan and Riley County, recorded a 43.96 percent increase in ridership as compared to the previous year, said Anne Smith, director of the ATA Bus. With a total of 30,969 rides provided that year, the service for the first time breached a threshold of 30,000 rides.

"We are growing really rapidly," Smith said.

In December 2008 alone, the ATA Bus provided 2,522 rides, which was a 84.9-percent increase from December 2007. Similarly, in January 2009, the ser-

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14th Street to close south of Anderson

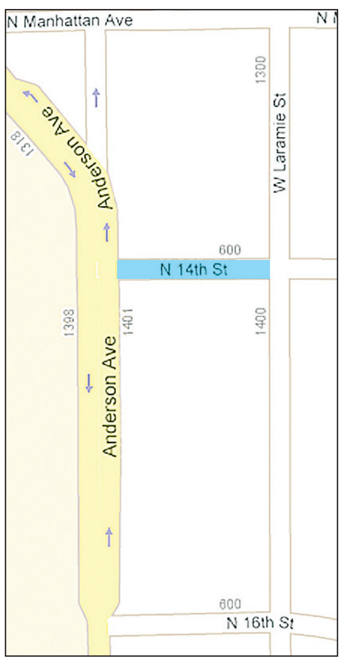
By Staff Report
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Southbound 14th Street between Anderson Avenue and Laramie Street will be closed beginning Monday, according to a press release from the City of Manhattan.

Traffic will also be restricted to one lane on eastbound Anderson. Construction is scheduled to continue until March 30.

Contractors will be rebuilding a storm sewer inlet, accessible ramp and sidewalk at the intersection of 14th and Anderson.

Motorist are encouraged to use alternate routes, as delays are expected, according to the release.



Man allegedly stabbed at Ogden gas station

By Elise Podhajsky
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A man was allegedly stabbed in Casey's General Store in Ogden, Kan., Monday.

Riley County Police Department Capt. Hank Nelson said though the investigation is still ongoing, Mick Martin, 24, of Council Grove, Kan., obtained five stitches after receiving a "knife-like" wound.

Martin and his co-worker were filling up at the gas station when the two men got into an argument, which quickly escalated, Nelson said.

No ambulance was called, and Nelson said Martin drove himself to his place of employment before calling police about the incident and seeking medical attention at Geary Community Hospital in Junction City.

Asian comedian addresses stereotypes with humor

Chelsy Lueth | COLLEGIAN

Elliot Chang performed in front of an audience of around 250 people Tuesday night in the K-State Student Union Ballroom. Chang spoke openly about racist jokes, stereotypes and other controversial topics.

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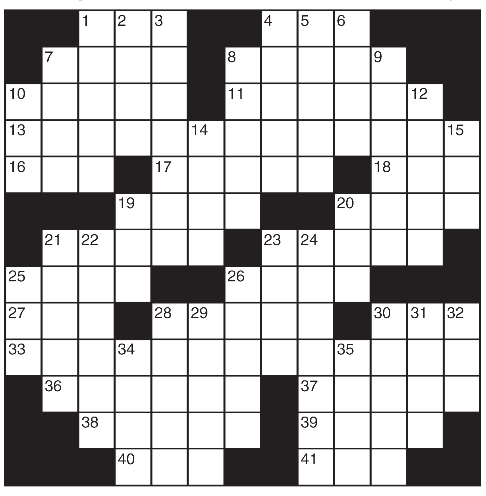

3-11 **CRYPTOQUIP**

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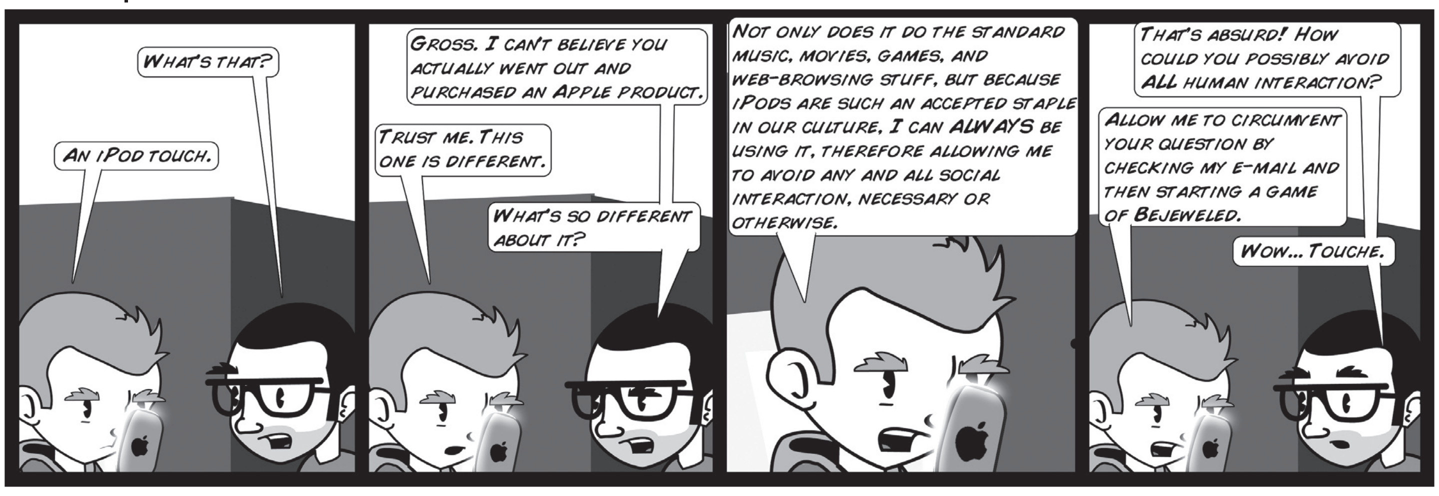
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: AWARE THAT IT WASN'T DOING ANYTHING USEFUL AT ALL, ONE TREE YELLED TO ANOTHER "GET A LEAF!"

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: T equals U

YOU SUCK | BY NOLAN FABRICIUS AND JEFF BROWN *YOU.SUCK.COMIC@GMAIL.COM*



THE PLANNER
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The K-State Challenge Course is now open for the spring. To make a reservation for your group, contact Travis Redeker in the administrative office at Peters Recreation Complex at 785-532-6980 or email *tredeker@k-state.edu*.

Recreational Services is offering half-price nutrition consultations during March, which is National Nutrition Month. For more information, call the administrative office at 785-532-6980 or go to *www.recservices.k-state.edu*.

Walk-in Wednesdays will be today from noon to 4 p.m. in Holtz Hall. It is sponsored by Career and Employment Services.

Intramural entries for softball and individual doubles sports will be accepted today through Thursday in the administrative office at Peters Recreation Complex. For more information, call 785-532-6980 or go to *www.recservices.k-state.edu*.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Mark Harrison at 2:30 p.m. Thursday in Rathbone 3053. The thesis topic is "The Effects of Using Aliovalent Doping in Cerium Bromide Scintillation Crystals."

The Pre-Vet Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in Frick Auditorium in Mosier Hall.

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Joseph Atkins at 1 p.m. Friday in Hale 114. The thesis topic is "Synthesis and Properties of Resorcin[4] Arene Based Quadrupoles and Dimeric Electrostatis Capsules."

A $500 scholarship for nontraditional students for the fall semester is being offered by the League of Women Voters. The deadline is Monday. Check with the Office of Nontraditional Student Services, Holton 101 or *www.ksu.edu/adult/scholarships* for more information.

The National Society of Collegiate Scholars encourages high-achieving students at K-State to become members. If you have received an invitation, there is still time to complete your membership application. Apply online by visiting *http://join.nscs.org/join* or by phone at 1-800-989-6727. If you have any questions, contact *nscs@nscs.org*, call 202-265-9000 or contact the president of the K-State chapter, Shane Oram, at *shoram10@ksu.edu*. The application deadline is March 18.

Recreational Services is seeking softball officials. Starting pay is $7.50. The training clinic will be at 5 p.m. March 23 and 24. To qualify, attend both sessions at Peters Recreation Complex. Officials must be a K-State student and enrolled in a minimum of 6 credit hours. For more information, contact Armando Espinoza at 785-532-6980.

The sexual assault support group will meet at 7:30 p.m. March 24 at the Women's Center in Holton Hall. For more information, visit *www.ksu.edu/womenscenter* or call 785-532-6444.

The Planner is the Collegian's bulletin board service. To place an item in the Planner, stop by Kedzie 116 and fill out a form or e-mail news editor Ann Conrad at *news@spub.ksu.edu* by 11 a.m. two days before it is to run. Some items might not appear because of space constraints, but are guaranteed to appear on the day of the activity.

WEIRD NEWS

COPS: MAN WITH ICE CREAM IN PANTS OFFERS OWNER $69

FORT PIERCE, Fla. – What would you do for a Klondike bar? Authorities said a man shoved an ice cream bar down his pants and then offered a Texaco station store owner $69 not to turn him in for shoplifting. The owner told police that a 65-year-old man tried to sneak the Klondike bar, along with packages of Ramen noodles and Famous Amos cookies, out of the store without paying Tuesday night.

When the store owner confronted the man as he tried the leave the store, the owner reported that the man pulled the flattened ice cream snack out of his back pocket and offered the owner $69 for it.

The owner called police, and the man was charged with retail theft and violation of probation charges. He was being held on $500 bail.

CAFETERIA REGULAR LEAVES WEALTH TO CALIF. SCHOOL

COSTA MESA, Calif. – Bruce Lindsay left behind a tip officials at Vanguard University won't soon forget.

Lindsay, who passed away last month at 79, bequeathed his estate to the small Christian university in Orange County where he ate daily at the cafeteria for decades. The donation, estimated to be at least several million dollars, will likely help the school that is saddled with $42 million in debt.

Known as the "campus grandpa" by students, Lindsay amassed his fortune by buying up cut-rate oil leases and flipping beachfront homes. A product of the Great Depression, Lindsay relished a good, cheap meal and abandoned a nearby hospital cafeteria for Vanguard where he found all-you-can-eat meals for $1.25.

"'Frugal' is not the right word for Bruce," suggested business professor Ed Westbrook, who befriended Lindsay. "He was real miserly."

Lindsay ate all of his meals on campus and often talked with both students and teachers, doling out advice. A former university president gave Lindsay the title of "student advocate" in the 1980s and with the title came free cafeteria food.

He became such a fixture at the 2,200-student university, he would often hold court in the crowded dining hall.

Lindsay, who was never married and had no children, wasn't shy about commenting on the cafeteria fare. Lindsay's last words to Westbrook: "The cook put too much salt in the soup."

It's a good bet that a portion of Lindsay's money will be used to help build a new dining hall.

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DAILY BLOTTER

To view the daily arrest report from the Riley County Police Department, go to the Collegian Web site, *kstatecollegian.com*.

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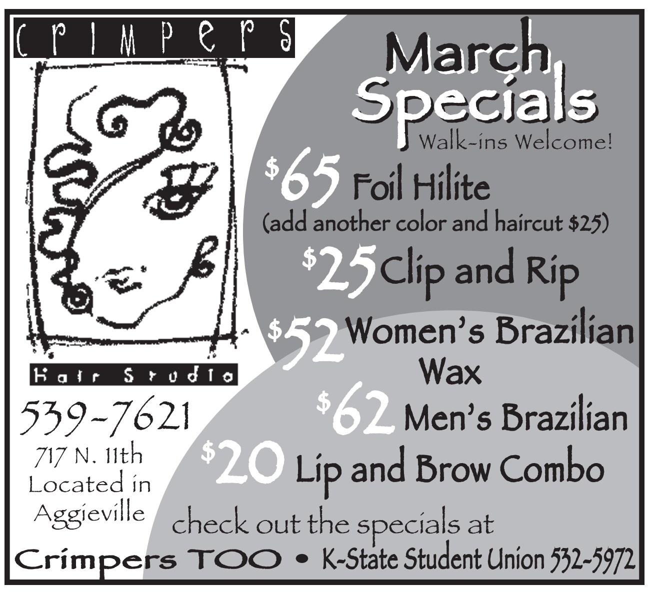
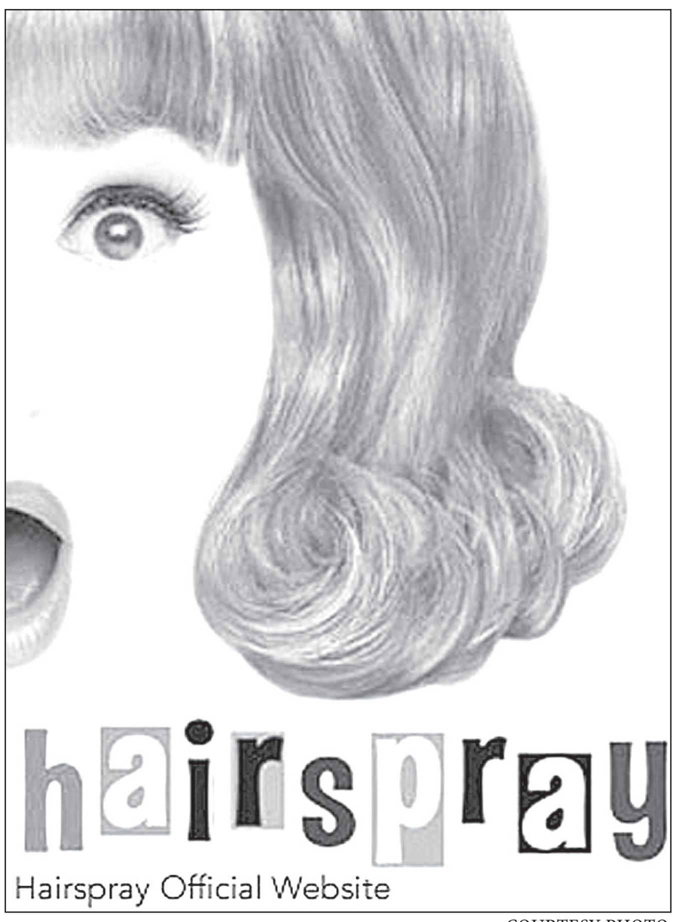


K-State to get stuck on "Hairspray" musical



COURTESY PHOTO

By Shelton Burch
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A traveling production of "Hairspray," a Tony-award-winning musical, is scheduled to visit McCain Auditorium tonight.

The show takes place in 1962 and features a score composed with that time period in mind.

"The audience needs to be prepared to listen to a variety of music, because there's hip-hop, and swing and Motown," said Thom Jackson, assistant director of McCain Auditorium. "[It's] basically all the music from the '60s."

The show first opened on Broadway on July 19, 2002, and closed on Jan. 4 of this year. While on Broadway, it won awards such as the Critics' Circle Theatre Award in 2007 for "Best Musical" and the Drama Desk award for "Outstanding New Musical."

During its Broadway career, "Hairspray" won a total of eight Tony Awards while being nominated for five more, as well as winning nine Drama Desk Awards.

"I thought it was amazing that we could bring in 'Hairspray,'" Jackson said. "It's very exciting because it's very tough to get these kinds of shows out here with the kind of economy we're in. We try to bring in cutting-edge musicals. We're very excited to get to have 'Hairspray.'"

Tickets for the show are $17-$25 for students, $33-$47 for military members, faculty and seniors and $35-$50 for the general public.

For more information visit the McCain box office or calling 785-532-6428.

K-State takes first in debate tournament

By Elise Podhajsky
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Chelsy Lueth | COLLEGIAN

John Grice and **Derek Ziegler**, sophomores in political science, earned the first place award Monday in the Junior Varsity/Novice National Debate Tournament in Towson, Md.

After debating all weekend and all Monday, sophomores in political science John Grice and Derek Ziegler took home first place awards in the Junior Varsity/Novice National Debate Tournament, a college-level tournament reserved for first- and second-year debaters.

Grice and Ziegler as a team took home first place in the team debate category and Ziegler won first place in the individual speaker category.

"We worked incredibly hard for this competition," Grice said. "It was a really great experience to make a goal – to say we're going to win this tournament – and to accomplish that goal, and to also upset the undefeated team, Towson college."

The tournament took place at Towson University in Towson, Md., which houses one of the most competitive debate teams in the nation.

"It was kind of cool to beat Towson at their own school," Grice said. "They bring in their whole team [to watch the debates] and essentially give as much support as possible, which almost makes the judges really want to vote for them immediately."

Grice said Towson was emotional when the winners were announced, so he and Ziegler picked up their trophy and left.

"We had been debating for two days straight, and we had had four debates that day," Grice said. "It didn't really set in that we'd won until I woke up the next morning."

The debate began at 10 a.m. Saturday, and concluded at 11 p.m. Monday. Each team had four debates each day. The topic disputed through the weekend was a decrease in agricultural subsidies.

"K-State's a great school to represent when you're debating about agriculture," said Sarah Green, assistant director of debate and team coach. "It feels really good to win, and it's great to have some national acclaim to K-State debate to heighten awareness about the team."

Green said all the teams have worked "incredibly hard" this semester, and the average work her policy debaters do in a school year is equivalent to that of master's-level student working on a thesis.

Ziegler said he has been debating since high school and jokingly described the team as "a big nerd-fest."

"You get to spend a lot of time researching and learning a topic really deeply," he said. "You kind of find a sense of pride in knowing a lot of things about a topic and to be able to compete with people at the collegiate level for it."

Ziegler said the best part about winning was knowing the majority of judges thought he was speaking better than the Towson competitors.

"The [Towson] students spoke very, very well and they're very intelligent," he said. "They definitely knew what they were talking about."

Green said teams that competed in the tournament came from universities across the nation. Last year, she said K-State took second in the competition, and it was "really exciting" to take first this year.

"It feels awesome," she said. "It's a really large tournament, so it feels good to win."

UI presidency to be announced soon

By Staff Report
KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Nellis
PROVOST

M. Duane Nellis, provost and senior vice president, is a finalist for the presidency of the University of Idaho, and an announcement about the position is expected to be made soon.

Both he and the other finalist, David Dooley, provost of Montana State University, have had their final interviews, according to an article in Monday's edition of the Argonaut, UI's student newspaper.

Nellis has been provost at K-State since June 2004. According to K-State's Web site, Nellis' first academic appointment after graduating with his doctorate degree in geography from Oregon State University in 1980 was at K-State. He served as head of K-State's Department of Geography, and then as senior associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences before leaving in 1997 to be dean of the Eberly College of Arts and Sciences at West Virginia University, a position he held for seven years before coming back to K-State.

Nellis said he has the experience to be UI's president, according to the Argonaut's article.

"It's a quality university, and UI takes great pride in student success," he said. "I see from my assessment of UI that where the university's needs are, are where my strengths are. With my background and experiences, I feel I can truly make a difference at UI."

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Rising concern

Compromise necessary to make progress

ROB DUNN

I want to be clear from the outset: I am not anti-life. I fully believe that everybody has the right to not be killed unjustly. I am interested in the important debate as to when life begins, and I respect the positions of both sides.

Both sides have thoughtfully argued from well-reasoned and deeply held beliefs. But slogans like "If you were born after 1973, you're a survivor," are misleading. Abortion existed before 1973, the year of the famous Roe vs. Wade Supreme Court case. They were performed secretly, often without medical supervision. Metal coat hangers and illegal drugs were often used to induce miscarriages. These practices predictably resulted in serious health consequences for the women attempting abortions.

The goal of Roe vs. Wade was to minimize abortion's harm to society. Judged by this standard, it has been a success. Even if you accept that abortion legalizes killing, medical abortions rarely result in the death of the mother, whereas illegal abortions often do.

Opponents of Roe vs. Wade contend that legalizing abortion has made it more common. This assertion is difficult to prove, since many other cultural factors since the court's decision have contributed to promiscuity that can result in unwanted pregnancies. Surely the situation has not been improved by attempting abstinence-only sex education in public schools. Even Sara Palin's daughter Bristol, a teenage mother herself, recently told Fox News' Greta Van Susteren that abstinence until marriage is unrealistic in today's society.

Others say women who become pregnant should face the consequences of their actions, with the idea that they'll be more responsible next time. But that would be dangerous. Babies should not be punishments. They need loving, willing parents to nurture them into responsible, productive members of society. It is very sad when someone has an abortion, but perhaps it is time to admit that preventing all abortions is unrealistic.

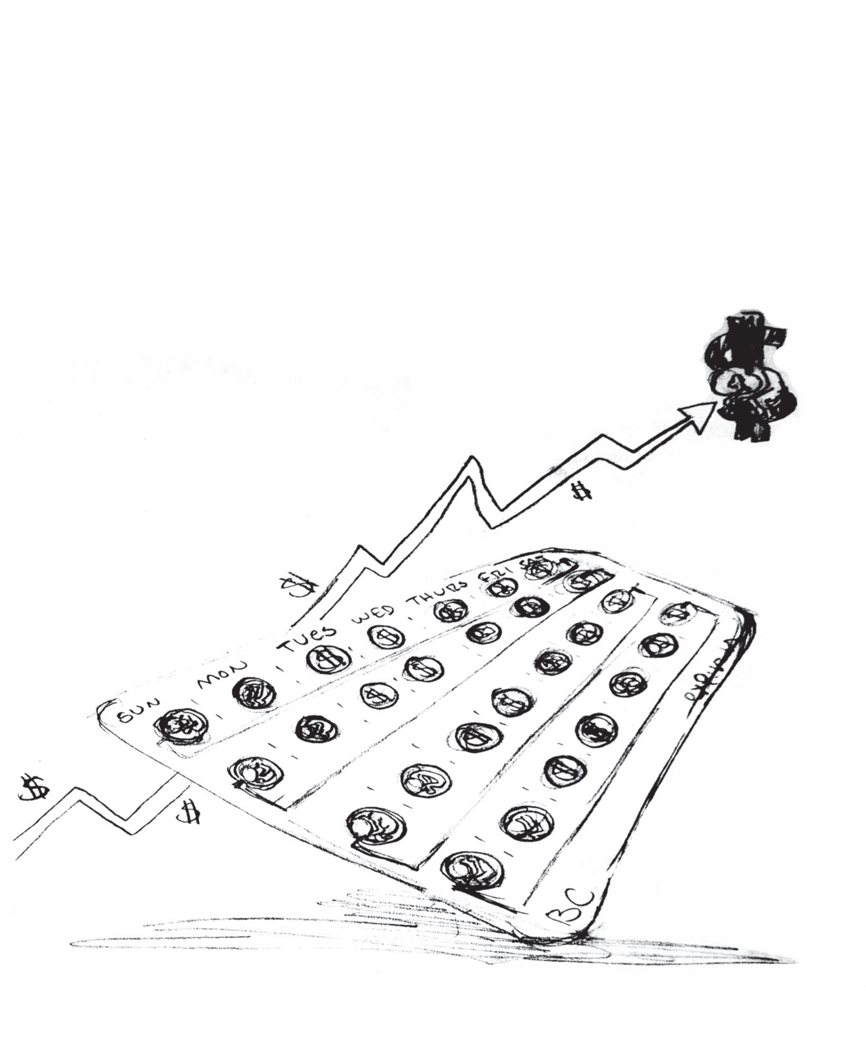

Illustration by Aaron Frondorf | COLLEGIAN

If those of us who respect, celebrate and advocate for life could put our differences aside on the issue of abortion's legality and morality, we could increase awareness of alternatives like adoption and contraception. This information could prevent some abortions and provide common ground for work on a very important and controversial topic.

Groups like K-State Students for Right to Life are missing some important opportunities to prevent abortions. Access to affordable birth control and comprehensive sex education in public schools would go a long way toward preventing abortions.

Students for Life could join Sexual Health Awareness Peer Educators (S.H.A.P.E.) and the reproductive rights organization on campus, Students for Choice, in working to lower the price of birth control. Prices have increased since Bush's first term in office, and affordability is a major factor in people's decisions regarding birth control.

In our own campus community, we should come together to promote healthy and reasonable behavior among young people. How many unwanted pregnancies result from poor decisions made in Aggieville? How many were conceived this Fake Patty's Day alone? The fact is, life is so far from perfect these days that we need to come together to minimize the harms that exist in society. It is important that issues are thoroughly discussed and debated, but sometimes compromise is needed to make real progress on important issues.

Rob Dunn is a senior in English. Please send comments to *opinion@spub.ksu.edu*.

Indoctrinating children with hate, prejudice hurts U.S. society

BOBBY GOMEZ

It was Mahatma Gandhi who said, "Our life is our message."

It is not uncommon for parents to go to the supermarket and order a customized birthday cake for their child. Some even go as far to request their child's face be morbidly printed in the frosting.

What is uncommon is what took place at a ShopRite in New Jersey in December 2008.

Heath and Deborah Campbell went to the supermarket to order a customized cake for their 3-year-old son, Adolf Hitler Campbell. The supermarket refused the order and the authorities were notified. Adolf and his sisters, 1-year-old JoyceLynn Aryan Nation and 8-month-old Honszlynn Hinler Jeannie, were removed from their home by New Jersey's Division of Youth and Family Services.

"They're just names, you know," said the children's father, Heath Campbell, in the New York Daily News. "Yeah, [Nazis] were bad people back then. But my kids are little. They are not going to grow up like that."

What Heath Campbell fails to mention is he is a devout denier of the Holocaust and prefers to decorate his home with swastikas rather than traditional art and potpourri.

By naming their children in support of a cause that killed millions upon millions of innocent people, Campbell's family is sending a message of hate and intolerance.

For another example of this cruelty, examine a case in Brooklyn, N.Y., where Keith Phoenix confessed to slaying a complete stranger, Jose Sucuzhanay. Phoenix showed no remorse as he randomly beat Sucuzhanay to death with a baseball bat. Sucuzhanay was walking home with his brother when Phoenix drove by in his SUV. Phoenix falsely presumed Sucuzhanay was gay, and reports said he left his vehicle and murdered Sucuzhanay. Phoenix continued to strike Sucuzhanay even after his body lay lifeless in the gutter.

Or look no further than the Gaede twins.

The Gaede twins, Lynx and Lamb are the teenage pop stars for the White Power movement. Their sound captures the elegance of a church hymn, but their lyrics dictate their true feelings as they sing "Strike Force! White survival. Strike Force! Yeah!"

When I hear the phrase pop star, names like Beyonce, Britney Spears and Fergie come to mind. Unfortunately, for some children they immediately think of the Beatles of the Aryan world - the Gaede sisters.

What message is being sent by two young angel-faced girls who reinforce ignorance and intolerance through church-like melodies and choruses? Only the message that true hate can take all forms and be preached by all types of people. We should be disturbed that these two girls were raised as poster children in an effort to recruit and brainwash children to be racist.

While these incidents may seem isolated and rare, they are not.

Since 2000, active hate groups have increased by 54 percent, according to the Southern Poverty Law Center. There are 926 active hate groups - no doubt contributers to the 9,527 victims of hate crimes reported by the FBI in 2007. Future reports are expected to show an increase in these numbers.

There are eight Kansas-specific hate groups active in the state. The American National Socialist Workers Party is one of them. It is a Neo-Nazi group located in my hometown of Shawnee.

The American Nazi Party proclaims, that "YOU hold the FUTURE – BRIGHT (WHITE) or DARK (everybody else) – in YOUR hands, and TIME IS RUNNING OUT!"

If our life is our message then let us send a message similar to that of the Buddhist monk Thich Nhat Hanh.

"When you understand, you cannot help but love ... practice looking at all living beings with the eyes of compassion."

Bobby Gomez is a senior in elementary education. Please send comments to *opinion@spub.ksu.edu*.

THE FOURUM

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To the girl in the black SUV by Umberger: You really need to learn how to drive. This is Kansas.

Anybody want to steal the bulldozer by King? He left the keys in it.

Don't rent from Capstone. They'll give you an $82 late fee for being 30 minutes late.

Hope you have fun watching tennis tournaments while I'm out getting drunk.

Have you ever drank booze from a boot?

And I call this one: As close as you can get to Bailey's without your eyes watering.

I just like sex more than I hate your hair.

I have a horrendous cough. I think it's whooping.

I believe the moon isn't real. I believe that vampires are the world's best girlfriends, and the sad things is, they won't even get a chance to prove it.

If the moon were made of cheese, would you eat it? I would.

I'm on a Facebook status-changing rampage!

I set two alarms for 9:30 this morning and still woke up at 2. That's the alarming part.

Thanks, tool, for ripping off my Texas Longhorn emblem.

Hey, shark-backpack girl: I want to sink my teeth into you.

To the stupid, low-life hick by Rathbone Hall who kicked an opossum to death: You disgust me.

I saw you today, life ruin-ee.

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TO THE POINT

Mass transportation needed

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Mass transportation is exactly what Manhattan needs and has needed for years.

For students living off campus who do not own or have access to a car, it is a tedious – and sometime treacherous – bike ride or walk to class, especially in the icy winters.

K-State's international student enrollment has also increased in recent years. These students who come to the university from overseas often have no car or bicycle and have a hard time getting around campus, let alone the city. Several students are forced to walk to grocery and retail stores like Dillon's and Wal-Mart and cross large, busy intersections with no crosswalk, such as the intersection at Tuttle Creek Boulevard and Bluemont Avenue.

Bringing mass transportation to Manhattan will not only make transportation easier and cleaner – more people using the bus system means less emissions from individual cars – it will also make the city safer for hundreds of students and individuals across the city.

With the 2010 U.S. Census coming up and the city's population set to be more than 50,000, we are eagerly looking forward to what we hope will be the next step in sustainable and safe developments in Manhattan.

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Change of pace

Latest fitness fads offer less monotonous workouts

By Molly Sanders
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There are plenty of South Beach Diet ads and Bowflex infomercials, and it's tough to stay ahead of the craze game with so many fads around. It's important to keep tabs on the latest fitness fashion, find out what it is, how it helps, who should do it and how to get started.

ZUMBA
WHAT IT IS:

Zumba is a mix of traditional Latin dances, like cumbia, salsa and samba, set to upbeat Latin music to add zest and fun to the workout. It is described on the official Web site, *Zumba.com*, as a sculpting, calorie-burning fitness party. The site attributed Zumba's creation to celebrity fitness trainer "Beto" Perez, who forgot his workout tapes for a class he was teaching in Colombia and had to improvise with the salsa and merengue music he had in his car.

HOW IT HELPS:

"It's a combination cardio and sculpt," said Kelly Marshall, a Zumba instructor at K-State. "When the pace is slow, I really emphasize to my class to keep all their muscles engaged."

WHO SHOULD DO IT:

"I would suggest this for people who can't find their workout niche," Marshall said. "[Zumba] kind of tricks you into a workout. You get kind of preoccupied with the dance steps."

Marshall said she rarely sees males in her class, but said she feels it's because of the American culture, emphasizing that she would like to see more attend.

HOW TO GET STARTED:

Peters Recreation Complex offers several free Zumba classes at different times throughout the week. Signing up in advance is not required, so check out the group fitness schedule at *www.recservices.ksu.edu*.

Katie Lero, junior in public health nutrition and theater, said she likes the style of Marshall's classes because of the music and her teaching style.

"Kelly does a really good job with the Zumba moves and I like how she incorporates hip-hop in with the traditional Latin music," Lero said.

Zumba videos can also be purchased online for about $15.

POLE DANCING
WHAT IT IS:

Pole dancing as of late has been advertised as a form of exercise as well as a way to boost self-confidence.

"[Pole dancing] really made me feel like a kid again," said Natalie Smith, owner of Pole Worx in Kansas City. "It's not like I really looked cute doing some of the moves when I first started doing them. It was nothing sexual."

HOW IT HELPS:

This particular form of exercise is a more exciting way to increase strength in one of the hardest areas for women to reach: the upper body. Amelia Burton, an Australian health and fitness coach, said though you might come home with a few bruises now and then, moves like Burton's personal favorite, "hello boys," will reap benefits in more than one area of your life.

Smith said she lost 25 pounds in about three months when she began dancing. She said she lost all of the baby weight she gained after her first child and is actually smaller than she was before she got pregnant. She said the workout is not hard after you start to get some of the moves down and is really fun, but it is such an intense workout that it is harder than one might think.

Smith said the workout is also a great confidence booster and added that she's had women who take her classes solely for a morale boost.

"Once a woman finds a spin that looks beautiful and is graceful, it boosts [her] confidence."

WHO SHOULD DO IT:

Men might have a harder time finding a place, as many of the studios that teach pole dancing are for women only.

Many women feel intimidated by the movements and feel like they are unable to do them, Smith said, but insisted it can work for anyone.

"I have a 300 pound woman who spins beautifully and a sixty-year-old woman who hangs by her legs," she said. "It can really work for everyone."

HOW TO GET STARTED:

Though there are no studios in Manhattan currently offering pole dancing classes, there are a few studios in Kansas City, Mo., that do.

Smith said it's also possible to learn at home with DVDs. Prices vary, but many online and infomercial pole dancing DVD offers will even give you a pole trial with the purchase of the DVD. If you want to invest, beginner poles start at around $250 at *hardcorepoles.com*.

MIND AND BODY EXERCISE
WHAT IT IS:

According to *medicinenet.com*, the yoga that is practiced today is a form of one part of the meditation rituals of Hinduism and is closely related to meditation methods of Buddhism, both of which require extreme physical and mental control. Tai chi is an ancient, slow form of Chinese martial art, which was used not only for self-defense, but also to find inner peace and calm. Pilates was designed in the early 20th century by Joseph Pilates as a form of rehabilitation, and at its start, was used mostly by soldiers and dancers to relieve aches and muscle tension.

HOW IT HELPS:

Body shape, flexibility and tension relief are just a few mind and body exercise benefits according to *medicinenet.com*. All of these extend into increasing the quality and enjoyment of life. The site also posted studies (some of which were limited in the range of participants) that showed mind and body exercise extended lifespan and agility in aging adults and decreased overall stress levels in every age group.

WHO SHOULD DO IT:

People who are anxious or suffer from restless or inconsistent sleeping patterns, who are used to hardcore exercises and are looking for a change or to work other areas of the body, or who are looking to improve balance might benefit according to the site.

HOW TO GET STARTED:

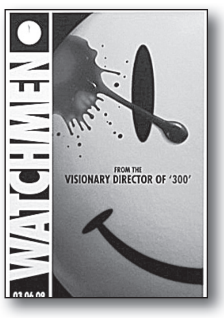
Yoga, pilates and tai chi, as well as a few variations of these, are all offered at the Rec Complex throughout the week. Yoga is also offered as a course at UFM that can be applied toward a degree at K-State.

DVDs are available and offer an option for people who are looking to target a certain area or are uncomfortable in a group setting.

Before reaching for the dumbbells or heading over to the treadmill, keep these exercise crazes in mind. Maybe it's time to jump on the bandwagon and submit to a workout fad, and this time it could be as enjoyable as the overly peppy exercisers on Jane Fonda's workout tapes make it look.

MOVIE REVIEW

"Watchmen" unforgettably bad, uses excessive violence to no avail



"Watchmen"
★☆☆☆☆
Movie review by Kelsey Hopson

I will never forget "Watchmen," though I would very much like to forget I wasted three hours of my life.

I definitely would have preferred watching paint dry. The mental stimulation would be the same for either one. OK, so the movie does have one redeeming quality: It is very creative.

I enjoyed the artistry until it became a series of scenes of graphic violence, nudity, sex, some horrifically gruesome violence, a lot of nudity, more sex ... I could keep going, but I would rather not remember the rest.

On a happier note, the breathtaking images of the pouring rain and of glass shattering in slow motion mesmerized me.

The cinematography superbly transformed this thinly veiled front as a superhero action-packed adventure into the exploration and realization of the evils of society.

That's the only bright side, though. The rest of the movie is incredibly dark.

I have to say the R-rated content ruined it for me. I am not squeamish when it comes to gory war movies, but I do have my limits.

I think filling a movie with tons of violence and sex to draw in crowds will earn big bucks at the box office, but it also waters down higher standards of creating something original – something thought-provoking.

It seems the film industry has to keep pushing the limits on what's acceptable to satisfy the masses' hunger for more thrills.

Now for the plot synopsis: I thought the story line was fairly basic. "Watchmen" is based on the best-selling graphic novel by Alan Moore and Dave Gibbons.

It takes place in an alternative 1985, but goes through a series of flashbacks that puts the heroes in a historical context.

Before the government outlaws the masked vigilantes, the costumed heroes were around during World War II, the Vietnam War and the Cold War. After a fellow hero is murdered, the Watchmen decide to come out of retirement to investigate the murder.

Toward the end, though, the plot gets really convoluted. I had a hard time following some of the transitions between scenes, but it could be that some of the minor "details or explanations" had to be cut out.

I think it must have taken a heroic effort to act in "Watchmen." Not that the acting was that bad. In fact, there are some superb actors. I just feel sorry they chose to participate in this movie. It is a waste of their talent and energy.

On the other hand, "Watchmen" does make some pretty big statements about the ugliness of humanity and wrestles with the question of whether or not it is worth saving.

The world is falling apart and in desperate need of help throughout the movie, but the heroes of "Watchmen" are disappointedly human. They make their fair share of mistakes.

Are they really heroes, then?

I think the theater was full of heroes. They bravely sat through most of the movie, though I did notice a few people skip out early. I wish I could have.

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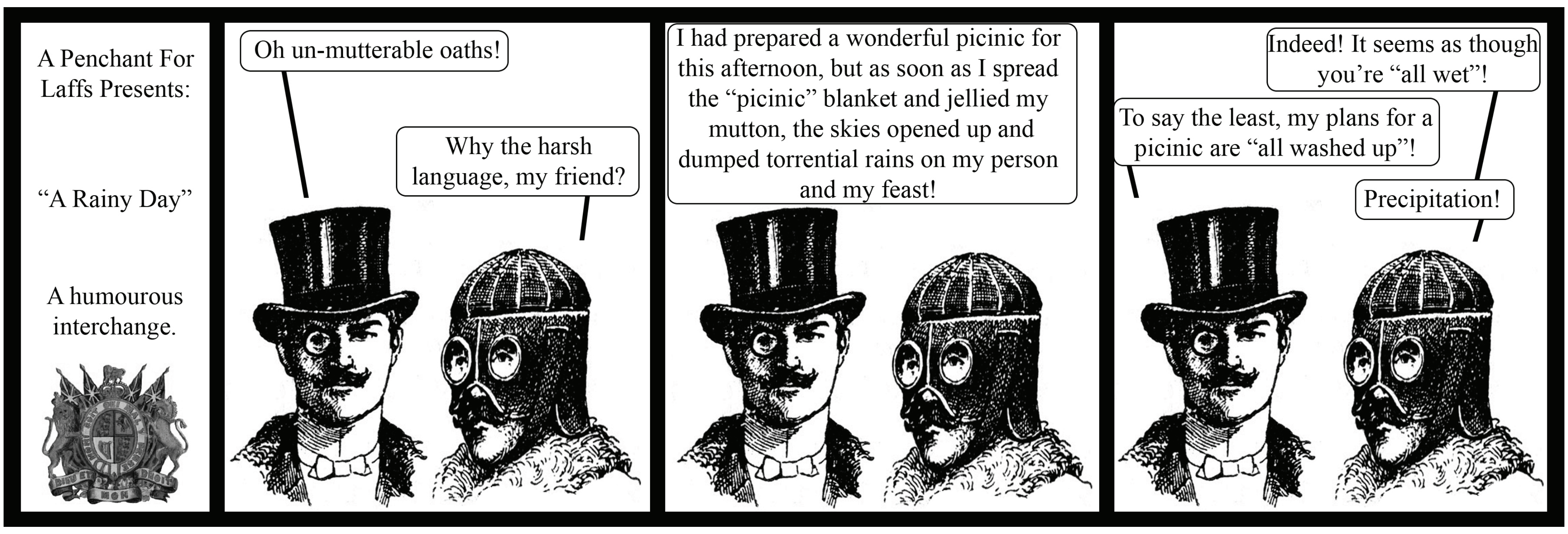

One Big 12 bubble team could get NIT

JUSTIN NUTTER

As the Big 12 Tournament kicks off in Oklahoma City, several teams have a lot on the line.

By many people's standards, only a few schools in the conference are considered a lock for the NCAA Tournament. But with the exception of the top three schools – Kansas, Oklahoma and Missouri – there are no guarantees. Four teams, including K-State, finished the conference season with a 9-7 record. With this week serving as the last chance to improve their tournament résumés, let's take a look at what those four squads have to do to reserve a spot in the Big Dance.

Under second-year head coach Frank Martin, K-State was supposed to be a non-factor in 2008-09. Picked to finish eighth in the preseason coaches poll, the Wildcats appeared to be headed for the cellar after an 0-4 start in conference play. But an overtime win at Colorado on Jan. 24 ignited a 9-3 finish that gave K-State the No. 4 seed in the conference tournament. Unfortunately, a lackluster non-conference performance has the Wildcats barely on the bubble. A win against fifth-seeded Texas on Thursday would likely vault K-State back into the tournament picture.

Early in the season, Rick Barnes' Texas team appeared to be headed for a high seed in the NCAA Tournament. After wins over UCLA and Villanova, it seemed as though the Longhorns would be in contention for a conference title. But a loss to K-State on Jan. 31 began a three-game skid, as well as a 5-6 finish. Thanks to a strong showing in its non-conference slate, Texas will likely receive a tournament bid, but wins over Colorado and K-State would help the Longhorns' chances.

Oklahoma State seemed to be out of consideration after stumbling out to a 3-6 conference record. However, after winning six of their final seven contests, including key home victories over K-State and Texas, Travis Ford and the Cowboys are squarely back on the bubble. A win over Iowa State – which has been dangerous at times this season – is likely all Oklahoma State needs to punch its ticket.

Similar to K-State and Oklahoma State, Texas A&M appeared to take itself out of contention early in the conference slate. After going 14-1 in non-conference play, the Aggies dropped four of their first five conference contests en route to a 3-7 start. However, Mark Turgeon's squad hasn't lost since Feb. 14 and has wins over Texas and Missouri under its belt. Defeating Texas Tech would pit the Aggies against Missouri in the second round – a contest which would likely secure them a bid.

Unfortunately, it's unlikely that we'll hear all four of these schools named on Selection Sunday. Personally, I think each team is deserving of a spot in the tournament, but fans should expect to see at least one of these tournament hopefuls in the NIT over spring break. With just one chance left to get the job done, expect to see all four schools pull out all the stops. It's time to see who's up to the challenge.

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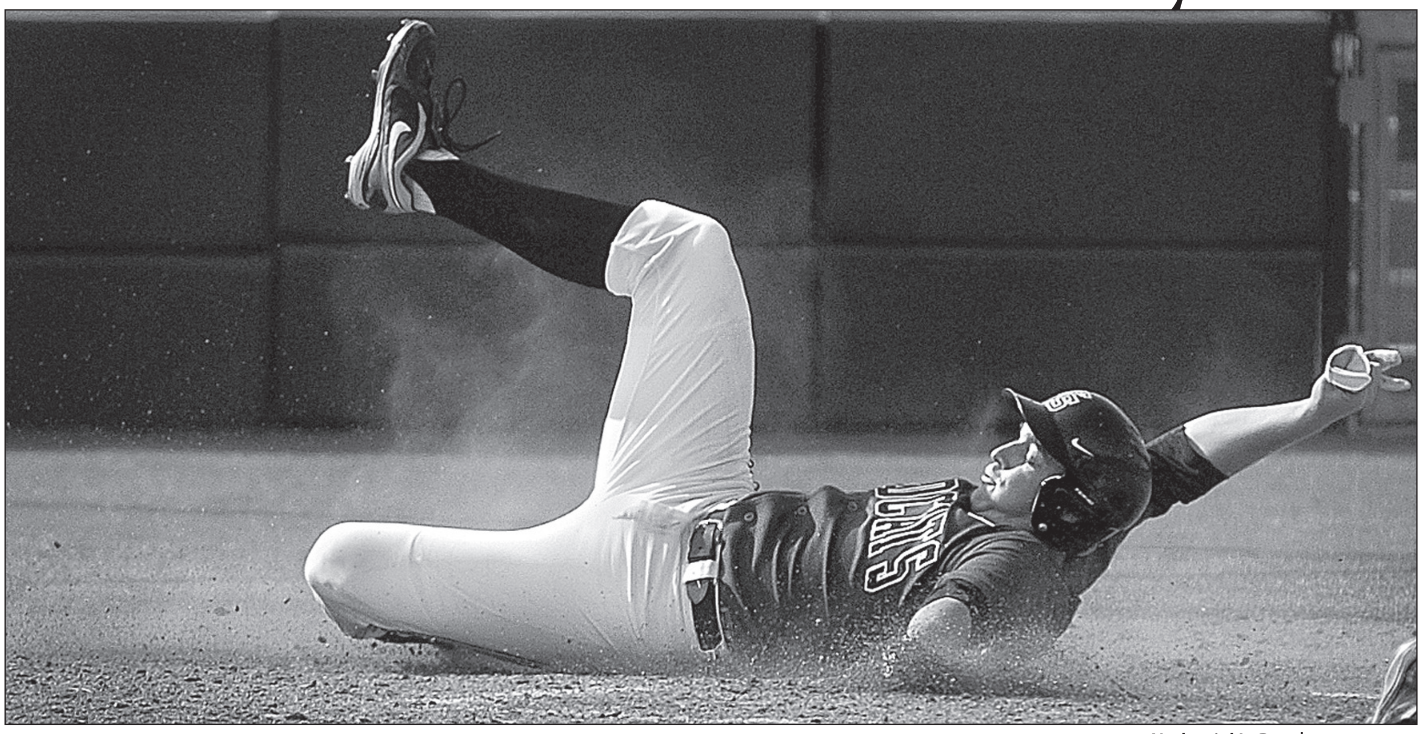
Down and dirty



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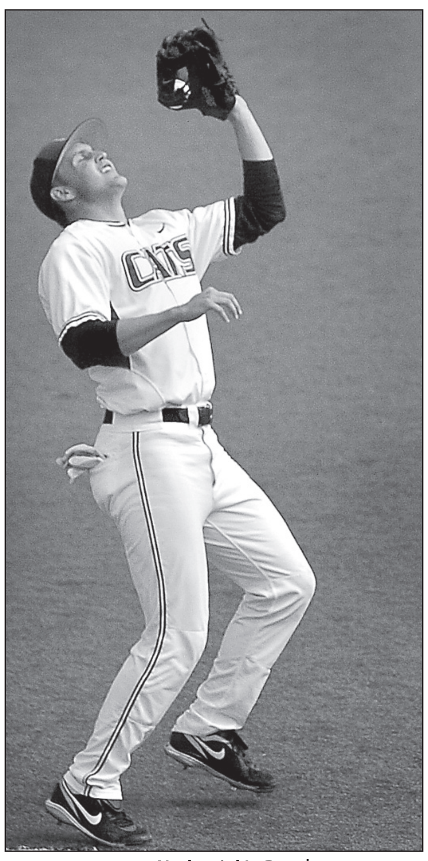
Dane Yelovich, Wildcats outfielder, slides into home Saturday afternoon to help the Wildcats pull ahead of Niagara and stay in the lead for the rest of the game. The Wildcats won the game 12-2.

Baseball team defeats No. 5 Arizona State, extends winning streak to seven games



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Matt Giller, Wildcats corner infielder, catches an infield fly during the game against Niagara Sunday afternoon.

By Blake Thorson
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State baseball team and junior pitcher A.J. Morris delivered a statement to the rest of the country Tuesday night with an exceptional 6-2 win against Arizona State University, which ranks fifth nationally: The Cats are a force to be reckoned with this season.

Morris threw eight and a third innings of masterful baseball, giving up only two runs on five hits. Morris has now given up just two earned runs through 26 1/3 innings of work this season. The big right-hander struck out two and struggled a little with his control, walking five, but battled out of jams and limited his pitch count to give the Wildcats room to breathe and the bullpen a much-needed rest.

At the plate, the heart of the Wildcat lineup came through in mighty fashion as the 3, 4 and 5 hitters combined for seven hits and all six of the Wildcats' RBIs. The team was led by sophomore third baseman Jason King, who continued his solid season with three hits including a double, home run and five RBIs to lead the Wildcats' offense.

Junior first baseman Justin Bloxom did his best to replicate last year's performance against the Sun Devils in which he blasted two home runs and recorded five RBIs. Bloxom managed 3 hits, including a double, two runs and a walk on the night. Freshman outfielder Nic Martini, batting third in the order for the first time this season, also stayed hot with the stick, going 2-4 with an RBI and a run scored.

K-State held a slim 2-1 lead heading into the eighth inning but broke the game open for good when second baseman Carter Jurica hit a leadoff double and then was singled in by Martini to give the Cats a 3-1 lead. After Martini stole second, Bloxom walked and Jason King followed with a monster home run to left field, giving the Cats a comfortable 6-1 cushion.

Morris recorded the first out in the ninth before giving up a single and hitting a batter and then gave way to reliever Thomas Rooke. Rooke got the next batter to pop out before giving up a single to cut the Wildcats' lead to 6-2. Freshman James Allen then came on to record his second save of the season by inducing a game-ending pop out.

The win pushed manager Brad Hill's club to 11-2 on the season and extended the Cats' winning streak to seven games. The team will play the Sun Devils again today, with first pitch tentatively scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Senior left-hander Lance Hoge (3-0) is scheduled to start for the Wildcats. Live stats will be available at *www.kstatesports.com.*

Cats to play Colorado in first round of Big 12 Tourny

By Britton Drown
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The K-State women's basketball team will travel to Oklahoma City to participate in the Big 12 Conference Championship Thursday following two consecutive victories to close out the regular season. The Wildcats will enter the tournament as a No. 5 seed, and will face a rematch against the Colorado Buffaloes in the first round.

The Wildcats swept Colorado in two games during regular season play, with the most recent win coming Saturday on the road.

Head coach Deb Patterson said playing Colorado recently will benefit her team's preparation heading into the first round match-up.

"It's not just the third time we are playing them, but it was just a few nights ago, so the preparation is minimized," Patterson said. "You are headed into a tournament, in which you hope to play four days in a row; that extra preparation is hopefully something that plays as an advantage."

In the previous meeting with the Buffaloes, First Team All Big 12 point guard Shalee Lehning registered her third triple-double of the season and fifth of her career. Her triple-double total leads the NCAA this season.

"I was pumped," Lehning said. "Just for the adversity I have had to face in coming back from my sickness, I hadn't felt like myself, and I actually felt like myself in Colorado."

Lehning missed three consecutive games during the second half of the conference season due to a mononucleosis infection.

While Lehning's performance proved she is well enough to play extended minutes, Patterson said she is still not at 100 percent strength. Patterson said Lehning tires much faster than normal and requires more recovery time following games.

"The fight and the push and the drive and the leadership we get, I couldn't ask for more when she is on the court," Patterson said. "But is she 100 percent? No, she is not."

However, despite Lehning's condition, Patterson said her team cannot afford to play cautiously in the Big 12 Tournament.

"You have to live in today and not worry about tomorrow as we go through this tournament," she said. "We have to go all out every minute of every game as we head into the tournament."

Lehning said she is feeling better each day and feels comfortable playing extended minutes in possible back-to-back games during the tournament.

"That is just going to have to be a day-by-day situation where we are just going to have to see how my body reacts," Lehning said. "I really am getting better everyday. I'll be fine with the minutes."

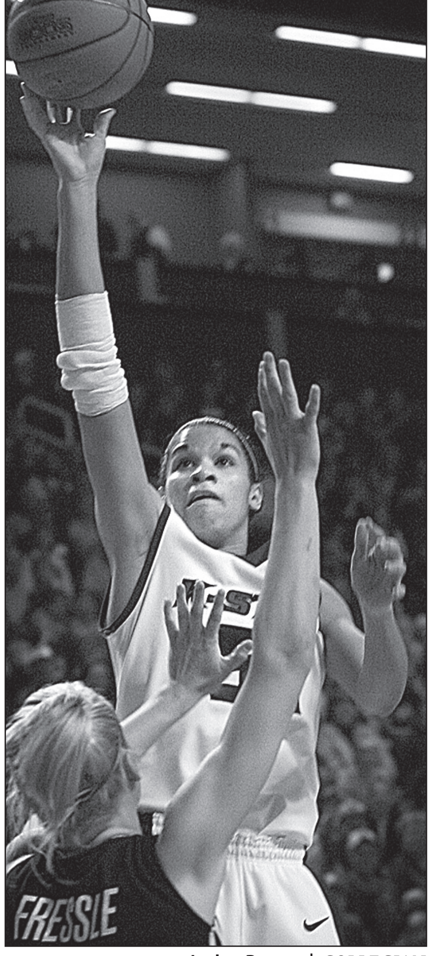
If the Wildcats win, they will face No. 4 seed Texas A&M in the second round.

The Aggies handed the Wildcats their only home loss of the season with a 71-45 rout March 1.

However, Lehning said the Wildcats will not be looking past the Buffaloes to the second round.

"It's one game at a time for us," Lehning said. "That has been the motto all season. But we also understand that we have upset teams and we have been upset – last season we were upset in the first round. So we cannot allow ourselves to overlook anybody."

Tipoff for the first round game, which will be broadcast on KMAN-AM 1350, is set for 11 a.m. at the Cox Convention Center in Oklahoma City.



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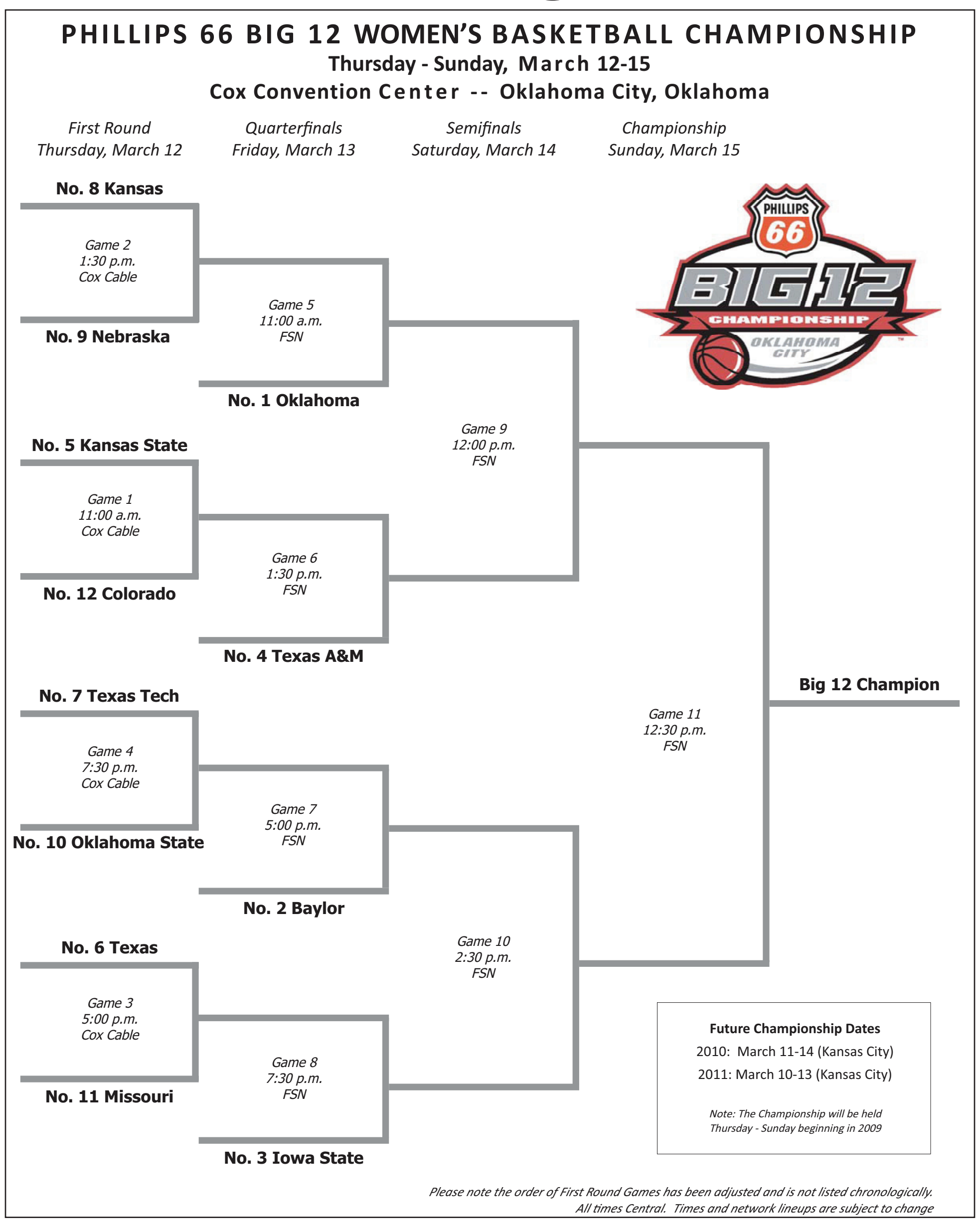
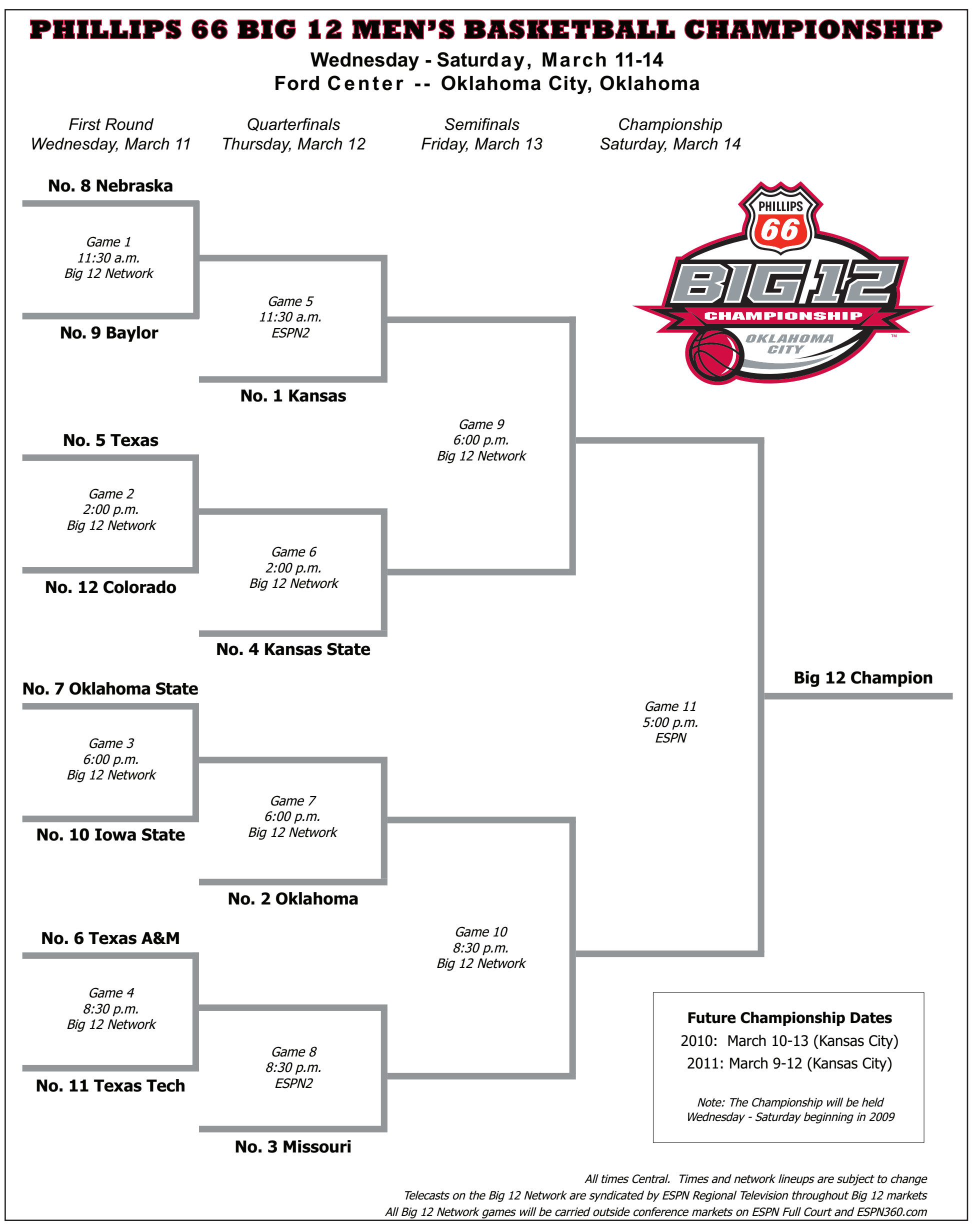
Marlies Gipson, Wildcat forward, jumps for a basket during the Feb. 21 win against Colorado. K-State beat CU twice this season.

Big 12 Tournament





First round of postseason tournament features No. 5-12 seeds

NO. 8 NEBRASKA (18-11) VS. NO. 9 BAYLOR (17-13)

11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Big 12 Network

•**Cornhuskers up to now:** Nebraska fought and scratched its way to an 8-8 league record despite being the shortest Division I team. Half of the Cornhuskers' Big 12 Conference losses came by a total of 15 points. Nebraska compensated for its lack of height with relentless defensive pressure and judicious offensive play (second in the Big 12 in assist/turnover margin). In conference games, Nebraska led the Big 12 in scoring defense and was second in steals.

•**Bears up to now:** After reaching the NCAA Tournament last season for the first time in 20 years, there were high expectations in Waco for 2008-09. But after winning three of its first four conference games, Baylor slumped and lost six in a row. The Bears had problems rebounding and defending the low post. Their talented back court players struggled with consistency, which led to a drop in offensive production of nearly 10 points a game from last season.

•**Key players: Nebraska** – Senior guard Ade Dagunduro, senior guard Steve Harley, junior guard Sek Henry, junior guard Ryan Andeson; Baylor – Senior guard Curtis Jerrells, sophomore guard LaceDarius Dunn, senior forward Kevin Rogers, junior guard Tweety Carter.

•Nebraska wins: If it defends. The Cornhuskers held Baylor to 62 points and forced 16 turnovers in Waco on Saturday. Nebraska wants and needs this game to be played at a walk-it-up, half-court pace. The Huskers can control the tempo and frustrate Baylor by running their offense patiently and efficiently.

•**Baylor wins:** If the ball goes in the basket. The Bears have had trouble getting all four of its talented guards to play well in the same game. If Baylor can reach its scoring average (77 per game) against Nebraska's relentless defense, it should be able to advance to the quarterfinals.

•**Previously:** Nebraska closed the regular-season with a 66-62 victory at Baylor last Saturday.

•**Big 12 Championship history:** The teams have met twice, the last time in 2000 and split the two games. Nebraska is 5-12 in Big 12 postseason play, while Baylor is 5-11.

•**Up next:** The winner of this game plays No. 1 seed Kansas at 11:30 a.m. Thursday in the quarterfinals.

NO. 5 TEXAS (20-10) VS. NO. 12 COLORADO (9-21)

2 p.m. Wednesday, Big 12 Network

•**Longhorns up to now:** Texas had an uneven conference season because its offense was always in flux. However, since installing sophomore Dogus Balbay at point guard, the Longhorns have had an easier time scoring points. Senior A.J. Abrams, an All-Big 12 selection, is the top outside scoring threat. Texas had several impressive nonconference victories and it hopes to regain that form in the post-season.

•**Buffaloes up to now:** Colorado has been a hard luck team all season. The Buffaloes have lost 11 in a row but eight of their Big 12 losses came by 10 or fewer points – including two overtime defeats. Sophomore Cory Higgins is a marvelous all-around scorer but Colorado lacks strength in the front court.

•**Key players:** Texas – Senior guard A.J. Abrams, junior forward Damion James, junior center Dexter Pittman, sophomore guard Dogus Balbay; Colorado – Sophomore guard Cory Higgins, junior guard Dwight Thorne II, freshman forward Austin Dufault, freshman guard Nate Tomlinson.

•**Texas wins:** If Damion James scores 20. The Longhorns need James to score from the low post and on offensive rebounds. Texas figures to have an advantage in the front court and James, one of the Big 12's most mercurial players, needs to make sure the Longhorns dominate in the paint.

•**Colorado wins:** If the Buffaloes can keep Texas off the boards. One of Colorado's major shortcomings has been its rebounding and defense in the low post. The Longhorns like to pound it inside and hit the offensive boards. If the Buffs can keep UT from dominating around the rim, they've got a chance to pull the upset.

•**Previously:** Texas won at Colorado, 85-76, in overtime on Feb. 14.

•**Big 12 Championship history:** Texas has a 2-1 edge over Colorado but the Buffaloes won the last meeting, an 81-69 decision in 2005. Texas is 15-12 in Big 12 postseason play while Colorado is 7-12.

•**Up next:** The winner of this game faces No. 4 seed K-State Thursday in the quarterfinals.

NO. 7 OKLAHOMA STATE (20-10) VS. NO. 10 IOWA STATE (15-16)

6 p.m. Wednesday, Big 12 Network.

•**Cowboys up to now:** Oklahoma State has won six of its last seven games. The spurt began when coach Travis Ford decided to go with a four-guard lineup. James Anderson, a 6-foot-6 sophomore, has flourished playing "power forward." Oklahoma State has little height or depth. The Cowboys' best post player is 6-foot-6 sophomore Marshall Moses. Senior point guard Byron Eaton has had a marvelous season.

•**Cyclones up to now:** Iowa State has been a one-man team. Craig Brackins, a 6-foot-10 sophomore, averages 20 points and nearly 10 rebounds a game. The Cyclones average 64 points a game, so it's obvious they need to get Brackins some help. Coach Greg McDermott's teams are solid defensively and this year's group has kept that tradition alive.

•**Key players:** Oklahoma State – Senior guard Byron Eaton, sophomore guard/forward James Anderson, sophomore forward Marshall Moses, senior guard Terrell Harris; Iowa State – Sophomore center/forward Craig Brackins; sophomore guard Diante Garrett, sophomore guard Lucca Staiger, senior guard Bryan Peterson.

•**Oklahoma State wins:** If Byron Eaton avoids foul trouble. The senior point guard often flirts with disqualification but he's the one player the Cowboys can't do without. If Eaton can stay on the floor, he should be able to break down Iowa State's defense and set up Oklahoma State's 3-point shooters for open looks.

•**Iowa State wins:** If someone other than Brackins can score. Brackins should at least get his average (20 points) against the height-challenged Cowboys. The Cyclones need 3-point shooter Lucca Staiger or penetrating guard Diante Garrett to come close to matching Brackins' production.

•**Previously:** Oklahoma State defeated Iowa State, 86-67, in Stillwater on Feb. 14.

•**Big 12 Championship history:** Oklahoma State has a 2-1 edge over Iowa State. Oklahoma State is 16-10 in Big 12 postseason play while Iowa State is 7-11.

•**Up next:** The winner of this game will play No. 2 seed Oklahoma Thursday in the quarterfinals.

NO. 6 TEXAS A&M (23-8) VS. NO. 11 TEXAS TECH (13-18)

8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Big 12 Network.

•**Aggies up to now:** Texas A&M carries a six-game winning streak to Oklahoma City, and that surge might have put the Aggies into the NCAA Tournament for the fourth consecutive year. A&M had a solid nonconference record, then started 3-7 in the Big 12. The Aggies are averaging nearly 77 points a game during the winning streak and they're 16-0 this season when scoring at least 72. A&M has good balance in its scoring but senior Josh Carter has been particularly reliable during the winning streak.

•**Red Raiders up to now:** Five of Texas Tech's Big 12 losses came by 10 or fewer points. The Red Raiders have struggled defensively, allowing nearly 79 points a game and also have issues with rebounding and turnovers. Texas Tech, though, has some outstanding shooters on the perimeter; the Red Raiders are third in the Big 12 in 3-point shooting (37.7 percent).

•**Key players:** Texas A&M – Senior guard Josh Carter, junior guard Donald Sloan, junior center Chinemulu Elonu, junior forward Bryan Davis; Texas Tech – Sophomore guard John Roberson; sophomore forward Mike Singletary; senior guard Alan Voskuil, freshman center Robert Lewandowski.

•**Texas A&M wins:** If it is aggressive on offense. In the Aggies' two victories over Texas Tech, they totaled 79 free throw attempts and outscored Texas Tech at the line 49-22. A&M should have the advantage inside and it needs to force the Red Raiders to defend the paint.

•**Texas Tech wins:** If the 3-point shots fall. The Raiders roasted Kansas from behind the line, making 15-of-27 3-pointers. Texas Tech has enough perimeter shooters to stretch A&M's defense. If the Raiders can make at least 10 from beyond the arc, they've got a chance to advance to the second round.

•**Previously:** Texas A&M won both meetings between the teams this season – 79-70 in College Station, 79-73 in Lubbock.

•**Big 12 Championship history:** The teams have met once before with Texas Tech winning in 2002. Texas A&M is 3-12 in Big 12 postseason play while Texas Tech is 10-12.

Up next: The winner of this game faces No. 3 seed Missouri in Thursday's quarterfinals.

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Congress approves $410B bill

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON – Congress on Tuesday sent President Barack Obama a once-bipartisan bill to fund the domestic Cabinet agencies that evolved into a symbol of lawmakers' free-spending ways and penchant for back-home pet projects. The Senate approved the measure after it cleared a key procedural hurdle by a 62-35 vote. Sixty votes were required to shut down debate.

Obama is expected to sign the measure Wednesday to avoid a partial shutdown of the government. But the White House has kept the bill at arm's length, calling it last year's business. Obama is also set to announce steps aimed at curbing lawmakers' so-called earmarks.

The $410 billion bill is chock-full of those pet projects and significant increases in food aid for the poor, energy research and other programs. It was supposed to have been completed last fall, but Democrats opted against election-year battles with Republicans and former President George W. Bush.

The measure was a top priority for Democratic leaders, who praised it for numerous increases denied by Bush. It once had support from Republicans such as Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky.

But the bill ran into an unexpected political hailstorm in Congress after Obama's spending-heavy economic stimulus bill and his 2010 budget plan forecasting a $1.8 trillion deficit for the current budget year. And Republicans seized on Obama's willingness to sign a bill packed with earmarks after he assailed them as a candidate.

"If it had not been for the stimulus and the budget proposal it might have been ... noncontroversial," said House GOP leader John Boehner of Ohio. "The stimulus bill riled an awful lot of people up. ... And then the budget proposal comes out."

Within Democratic ranks, there was relief, not jubilation.

The 1,132-page spending bill has an extraordinary reach, wrapping together nine spending bills to fund foreign aid and the annual operating budgets of every Cabinet department except for Defense, Homeland Security and Veterans Affairs.

It also contains numerous policy changes, including shutting down a program allowing Mexican trucking companies to operate beyond U.S.-Mexico border zones, easing rules on Cuban-Americans traveling to the island to visit relatives and allowing quick reversal of Bush administration rules opposed by environmentalists.

Described by lawmakers as a $410 billion measure – but officially tallied by the Congressional Budget Office at $408 billion because of technicalities involving heating subsidies for the poor – the bill was written mostly over the course of last year, with support from key Republicans such as McConnell and Lamar Alexander of Tennessee, the Senate's No. 3 Republican.

They sit on the Senate Appropriations Committee. McConnell is the successful sponsor or co-sponsor of $76 million worth of "earmarks" not requested by Bush when he was president, according to Taxpayers for Common Sense, a budget watchdog group. Alexander obtained a more modest 36 earmarks totaling $32 million.

Alexander supported the measure in the end; McConnell did not, calling it a "missed opportunity" to display fiscal discipline.

In the end, eight Republicans voted with all but three Democrats who were present, to advance the bill.

At issue is the approximately one-third of the budget passed each year by Congress for the operating budgets of Cabinet departments and other agencies. The rest is comprised of benefits programs such as Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid – as well as interest payments on the swelling $11 trillion national debt.

Adding in spending bills passed last year for defense, homeland security and the Veterans Administration – as well as $288.7 billion in appropriated money in the stimulus bill – total appropriations so far for 2009 have reached $1.4 trillion. And that's before the Pentagon submits another $75 billion or so request for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Appropriated spending for 2008 was $1.2 trillion; Obama's budget for next year calls for $1.3 trillion in appropriations.

The bill contains 7,991 earmarks totaling $5.5 billion, according to the GOP staff of the House Appropriations Committee. Republicans got about 40 percent of the earmarks.

Among the many earmarks are $485,000 for a boarding school for at-risk native students in western Alaska and $1.2 million for Helen Keller International so the nonprofit can provide eyeglasses to students with poor vision. There's also dozens of projects awarding state and local governments money for police equipment and to combat methamphetamine.

At the same time, the measure chips away at several leftover Bush administration policies. It clears the way for the Obama administration to reverse a rule issued late in the Bush administration that says greenhouse gases may not be restricted to protect polar bears from global warming.

The big increases – among them a 14 percent boost for a program that feeds infants and poor women and a 10 percent increase for housing vouchers for the poor – represent a win for Democrats who spent most of the past decade battling Bush over money for domestic programs.

Generous above-inflation increases are spread throughout, including a $2.4 billion, 13 percent increase for the Agriculture Department and a 10 percent increase for the money-losing Amtrak passenger rail system.

Congress also awarded itself a 10 percent increase in its own budget, bringing it to $4.4 billion. But the measure contains a provision denying lawmakers the automatic cost-of-living pay increase they are due next Jan. 1.

Quiet corners

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Kristin Henry, freshman in environmental design, and **John Goddard,** freshman in English, study on the fourth floor of Hale Library Tuesday night. Hale Library is a popular place among students to study in preparation for exams given before spring break.

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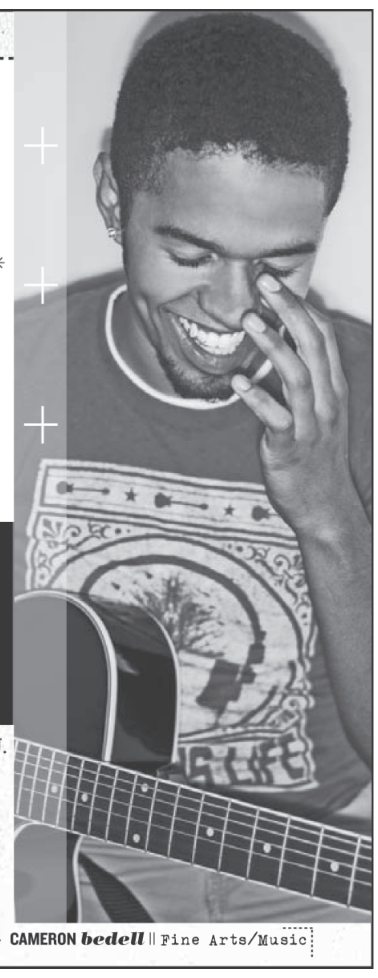

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City Commission approves $4.8 million in traffic improvements

By Justin Nutter
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The Manhattan City Commission approved proposals for three local transportation projects, which would cost nearly $4.8 million, in a work session Tuesday evening.

The projects, which include improvements to South Fourth Street for approximately $2.5 million, the intersection of McCall Road and Highway 24 for $1.5 million and the installation of traffic signals at two intersections on Kimball Avenue – Seth Child Boulevard and Candlewood Drive – passed by unanimous decision and will now be sent to the Kansas Department of Transportation for financial consideration.

City Engineer Robert Ott, who presented the proposals to the commissioners, said $2.5 million is being requested from KDOT, while the remaining cost will be covered internally.

Before Ott's presentation, representatives from BG Consultants Inc., proposed an expansion project for West Anderson Avenue. Tom Bennett described issues at intersections near Frank Anneberg Park, including congestion due to event traffic, drivers exceeding speed limits and danger presented to pedestrians.

Bennett proposed the installation of either traffic signals or roundabouts at multiple intersections in the area. He said there were positives to both ideas, but he thought a roundabout had more long-term benefits.

"It would control event traffic at the time of the events at the park," he said. "It would also reduce speeding and would be safer for pedestrians."

Bennett also suggested widening the road between the intersections to three lanes with the possibility of expanding to five lanes in the future. Vince Tracy, Manhattan resident, expressed concern, claiming roundabouts or signals would cause difficulties for large vehicles, such as ambulances or fire trucks, and would increase traffic congestion after K-State football and basketball games.

Bennett addressed the first issue, claiming the roundabouts would be large enough for large vehicles to travel comfortably.

"We won't be tipping any fire trucks over," he said. "The roundabouts will accommodate all sizes of vehicles."

Ott commented on the issue of traffic congestion, claiming gameday traffic can only be controlled to a certain extent.

"There are a lot of intersections that fail on game days," he said. "If that was on my design criteria, there are a lot of things that I would have widened this afternoon."

After the presentation, the commission agreed that the proposal should be offered to the public before a decision can be made.

Christians work to better themselves during Lent

By Tim Schrag
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

For many Christians, Lent is a time of preparation for Easter during which the faithful practice acts of personal spiritual growth to become closer to God. Many Christians often carry out this spiritual growth by denying themselves of something, like soda, or adding something extra to their daily routine, like reading Bible passages.

This year, bishops, after a recommendation by the Vatican, have suggested Catholics should fast or abstain from digital or modern technology, including MP3 players, surfing the web or text messaging until after Easter.

Father Keith Weber, chaplain of St. Isidore's Catholic Student Center, said the purpose of giving up technology is to loosen one's dependency on technology and put more important priorities, like spiritual matters, in front.

"Lent is a 40-day retreat where we take extra time to focus on our relationship with God," Weber said. "During the season of Lent, we are encouraged to do personal acts of penance; this would include adding something to our lives or giving something up. A person could add more daily prayer time, read the Bible, or they could choose to give something up such as Facebook, the Internet or video games."

Weber also said a person can choose to make every week of Lent a separate focus rather than give up something for the whole 40 days.

Haley Compton, freshman in public relations and political science, gave up Facebook for Lent, which began on Feb. 25 this year. Compton, a non-denominational Christian, said since Lent began on Ash Wednesday, she has yet to log on to the social networking site, though she said she is unsure if it has actually helped her spiritually.

"I gave up Facebook because it seemed like a good thing to give up. I am more focused and less distracted because I am not constantly on Facebook," Compton said.

George Ammerman, freshman in broadcasting, said he gave up sugary drinks including soda and Kool-Aid. Ammerman, also a non-denominational Christian, said he gave up sugary drinks of his own choosing for Lent to show that he had self-control and because he believes it will bring him closer to God.

"I think that giving something up for Lent is important because it shows that you have the self-control to give up something you enjoy," Ammerman said.

Though many find it rewarding to abstain during Lent, other Christians find it unnecessary and almost hypocritical. Jesse Riggs, junior in print journalism, said he believes making a public outward sign is useless unless one is seeking to be closer to God.

"A lot of people give up things that don't matter," Riggs said. "The point of giving things up is so you have more time to focus on God and self-improvement. It's not just about self-righteous suffering."

Father Weber said he was adding more daily prayer time to his life as well as working to be more patient and try to be a more social person by attending different events.

"The purpose of giving things up is two-fold – first, it helps us build discipline in lives," Weber said. "So when we are faced with bigger temptations, we have the discipline to make good choices. Secondly, it cuts out some things that might be controlling over our lives in a negative way."

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At St. Isidore's Catholic Church, followers look to Jesus for strength during Lent. Lent is an annual practice in which Christians participate to bring themselves closer to God.

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Who is Brandon Smith?

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"Working for the Collegian, was, by far, the best job I had during my time at K-State. The pay was great, and rewarded me for putting forth greater effort. The flexible hours, with nights and weekends free, gave me time to study at night and go to football and basketball games on the weekends. The real-world work experience was one of the prime reasons that I have my post-college job today, and looks fantastic on a resume. But the best part was the people and friendships that still last today, three years after college - that's the part of working on the Collegian staff that lasts with me most today."

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"At some point, we will be in this revenue pipeline to receive some kind of federal funding," Hayen said. "We do not know when that funding might be released, but we will be making application when it seems most appropriate."

Even though federal funding is essential for initiating a public transportation system, the city of Manhattan is also expected to make a commitment.

"Anecdotally, we know that the city's contribution can range from 25 to 75 percent of the total cost," Hayen said. "[It is] awfully hard to say what we will have to pay for such a program."

The city would derive its share in paying for public transportation from the general revenues fund, Hayen said. However, local sales tax might also cover part of the cost.

Some cities that have such a transportation system in place also rely on property taxes, Hayen said. At this point, however, the city of Manhattan is not considering raising property taxes for transportation purposes.

"My guess is that we will wait until we have some direction on the federal funding for assistance," Hayen said. "And once we see that materialized, than we will have some serious discussions locally about how we will meet our match."

INITIAL MANHATTAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STRATEGY

The overarching goals of the original plan included promoting ridership, reducing traffic, alleviating pressure on parking at K-State and providing a means of transportation for residents who do not have cars or do not want to use cars.

The plan also addressed the necessity of the transit system to effectively serve both the K-State and greater Manhattan communities.

"It is clear that any transit system has to integrate the university into community needs," Snead said.

The initial plan relied on funding from the federal, state and local government as well as K-State students and rider fees, Snead said.

He said all five sources of funding were essential for the plan's implementation. Only federal funding support would make a Manhattan public transit system viable.

"No transit system is funded solely through user fees," Snead said. "Even the metro system in the District of Columbia is only 50 percent supported by rider fees."

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION | Increase in area population creates need for mass transit

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vice provided 2,808 rides, 24.6 percent more than in January 2008.

A combination of factors contributed to the increase in the ATA Bus ridership, Smith said. Greater advertising efforts, community outreach, the economic crisis and the growth of the Manhattan community all account for more people choosing public transportation.

"We are getting to a size in our community towards where we need public transportation," Smith said.

People mainly ride the ATA Bus to get to work, Smith said.

Partially funded by the city's general fund revenues, the ATA Bus has also experienced an increase in budgetary funding. It was allocated $45,250 for 2009, almost a 40-percent increase as compared to 2008. This raise followed in the footsteps of previous allocation increases. The service's funding increased by 25 percent in 2007, and by more than 33 percent in 2008. Funds now allocated for the service are also expected to be used for purchasing new buses.

Anticipating that Manhattan will officially breach the 50,000-population mark in the 2010 U.S. Census, the ATA Bus is now involved in the process of updating the original plan for a public transportation system in Manhattan, which was created in 2001.

"Our goal is to have the first two routes of the plan implemented by the end of 2010," Smith said.

Bernie Hayen, director of finance for the city of Manhattan, said the city also has a taxi coupon service supported by the general budget fund. The service is intended to help low-income individuals, persons with disabilities and the elderly who might have difficulty finding other means of transportation and for whom using a taxi service might be an economic burden.

Qualifying individuals with proof of income can purchase low-rate coupons at City Hall and use them to buy transportation services. The city has provided the coupon service for about 20 years and it has proved very successful in meeting the needs of the population, Hayen said.

The number of coupons sold through the service in 2008 amounted to 4,266, with 943 sold to the elderly and 3,323 to disabled persons.

With K-State being part of the Manhattan community, the need for public transportation also directly involves students.

"I think when we look at the student body and the population in general, we are a small community, but public transportation will certainly be used," said Dalton Henry, Student Governing Association president-elect.

K-State is participating in a national 10-week recycling competition.
Here are the university's results from the past seven weeks:

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Newspaper	2,560 pounds	3,310 pounds	3,840 pounds	4,270 pounds	4,270 pounds	4,100 pounds	3,130 pounds
Magazines, phone books	0 pounds	2,710 pounds	2,930 pounds	2,940 pounds	2,278 pounds	4,160 pounds	0 pounds
Plastic	43.2 pounds	57.6 pounds	138.6 pounds	151.2 pounds	88.2 pounds	162 pounds	219.2 pounds
Aluminum	12 pounds	33.6 pounds	28.8 pounds	67.2 pounds	36 pounds	36 pounds	163.2 pounds
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Diverse comedian uses humor to teach understanding

By Whitney Hodgin
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

GLOWACKI
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Comedian Matt Glowacki will present "Diversity According to 'South Park' and 'Family Guy'" at 7 tonight in the K-State Student Union Ballroom. The event is open to the public.

More than 100,000 people have experienced Glowacki's program and heard his message: No one should be surprised when people who live different lives achieve success.

"The show takes serious and uncomfortable topics and makes them funny and easy to discuss," Georgia Campbell, Union Program Council member and senior in family studies and human services, said in a press release. "He also uses clips from 'Family Guy' and 'South Park' to make his point on the importance of acknowledging disabilities and diversity."

There will be a reception and a chance to meet Glowacki from 4:30 to 6 p.m. in the William T. Kemper Art Gallery in the Union. For more information, visit *www.ksu.edu/upc* or call the UPC office at 785-532-6571.

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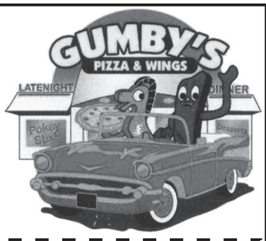

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Students should pay attention, be cautious of scam e-mails

By Elise Podhajsky
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Students across campus received an e-mail Monday from K-State Information Technology Services informing them that 17 K-State Webmail users had been victims of e-mail scams within the past week.

Rebecca Gould, director of information technology, said the victims were tricked into giving out their eIDs and passwords through scam e-mails from senders posing as K-State IT workers.

"Some of these e-mails look so real," Gould said. "You have to look very close to what it's asking."

These scams, known as "spear phishing," have used emblems such as Willie the Wildcat in the body of the e-mail or a faux student or campus address, which Gould said can look incredibly legitimate.

She said once hackers recently found out IT was switching K-State's e-mail provider from Webmail to Zimbra, they used the Zimbra name and logo to tell users K-State needed to update their database and asked for their password.

"What I think they do is just put the screen scrap of a K-State Web page to make them look more real," she said. "One of the ones we received today had a 2006 date at the bottom of the e-mail going to everybody. I mean, this is 2009."

Gould said the individuals or organizations responsible for the phishing have different computer applications that allow them to gather K-State e-mail addresses.

On an IT security Web page, Harvard Townsend, chief information security officer, wrote, "The primary way to prevent becoming a victim is to never reply to the scam e-mails, even if it is just to harangue the hacker or spammer. Once you reply, the spammer knows your e-mail is a legitimate address belonging to a person who reads their e-mail, so you will only get more and more spam."

If the hacker is successful in obtaining the user's password, they can log into the account and send out mass scam or spam e-mail throughout campus.

"All it takes is one person to respond," she said. "In some instances, we could see thousands of thousand of e-mails spewing out all over campus."

Gould said this is a problem because other e-mail providers like *gmail.com* or *hotmail.com* will start recognizing domains ending in *.ksu* as spam mail. Consequently, the provider will block these e-mails, and K-State users who have their Webmail forwarded to one of these accounts will not receive the legitimate K-State mail.

"It happens all the time," she said. "What's strange is we just have had a rush of these scam e-mails, but what's even stranger is we've had a rush of people responding."

According to Townsend's Web page, "Reports from other universities reveal that in most cases, the stolen e-mail address and password was used to send more spam to others, and in one case, was used to access that person's human resources self-service function in PeopleSoft, where they changed their address and tried to change their name."

Gould said these scams could also result in identity theft.

"The IT help desk and our security people would never ask for a password in an e-mail," she said. "That should be the first red flag. It looks so real, and if you don't read carefully and don't look carefully, it looks like it's coming from K-State."

Gould said though K-State's e-mail is transitioning to Zimbra, these scam e-mails will not go away, so users need to continue to be astute and wary.

"It's all about educating the user," she said. "Our users need to be more discerning."

TIPS FOR AVOIDING SCAM E-MAILS FROM ITAC

1. K-State IT support will NEVER send you an e-mail asking for your password.

2. Watch for misspellings, poor grammar or unusual forms of words. In this case, they used "Ksu" instead of "KSU" or "K-State," and "Kansas State University" is never mentioned.

3. The e-mail did not come from a K-State address - it was from "*ksuteam@bellsouth.net*."

4. The reply address likewise did not go to K-State. Note the "Reply-to:" header of "*accountupgrades03@live.com*."

5. The message did not originate at a K-State IP address (unique number assigned to a computer on the Internet). The "X-Originating-IP:" header lists "207.115.11.156" as the source IP address. All K-State IP addresses start with "129.130," not "207.115."

6. It asked for your "Country or Territory," which would be a very odd thing for K-State IT support staff to request.

7. No specific person or unit signed the message - it merely said it was from the "Ksu Team."

8. It contained no information about who to contact if you have questions, other than the nonsensical "Ksu.edu BETA."

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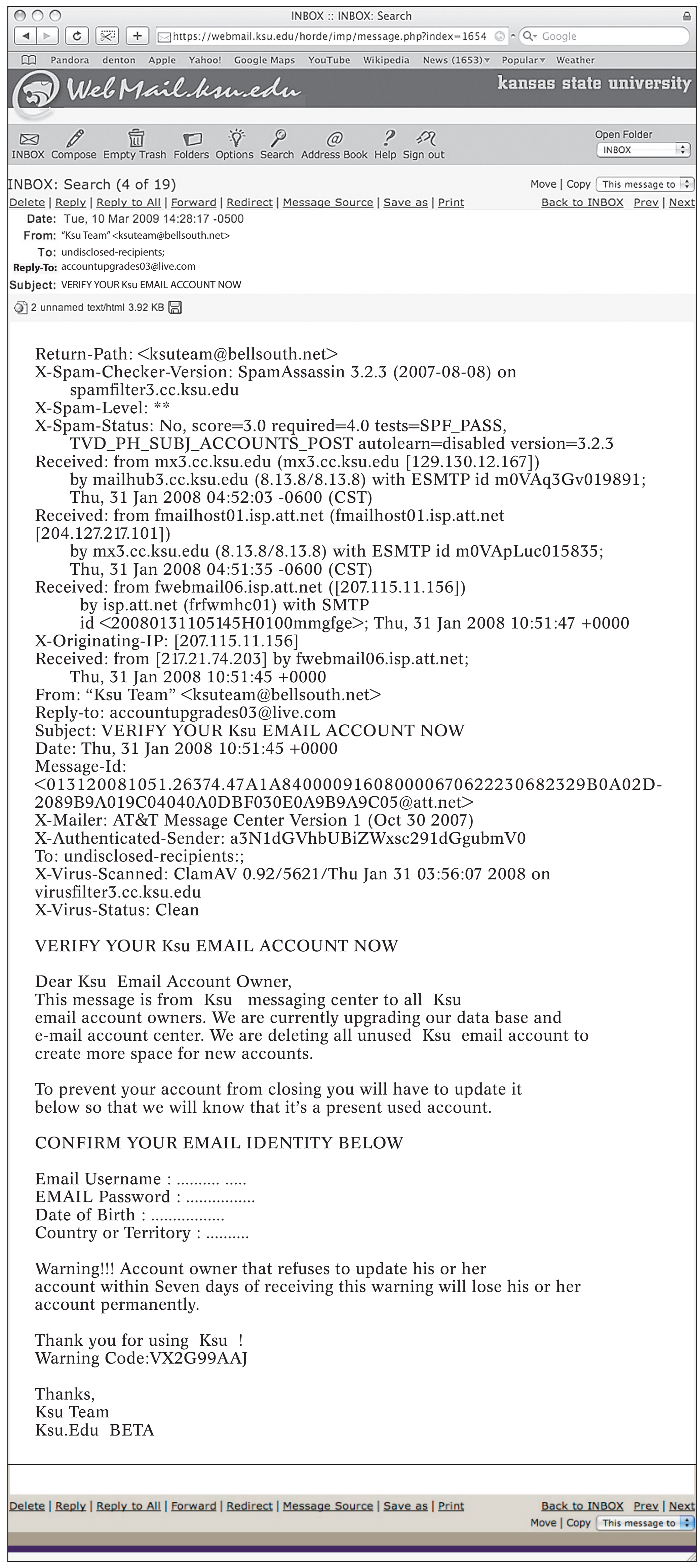
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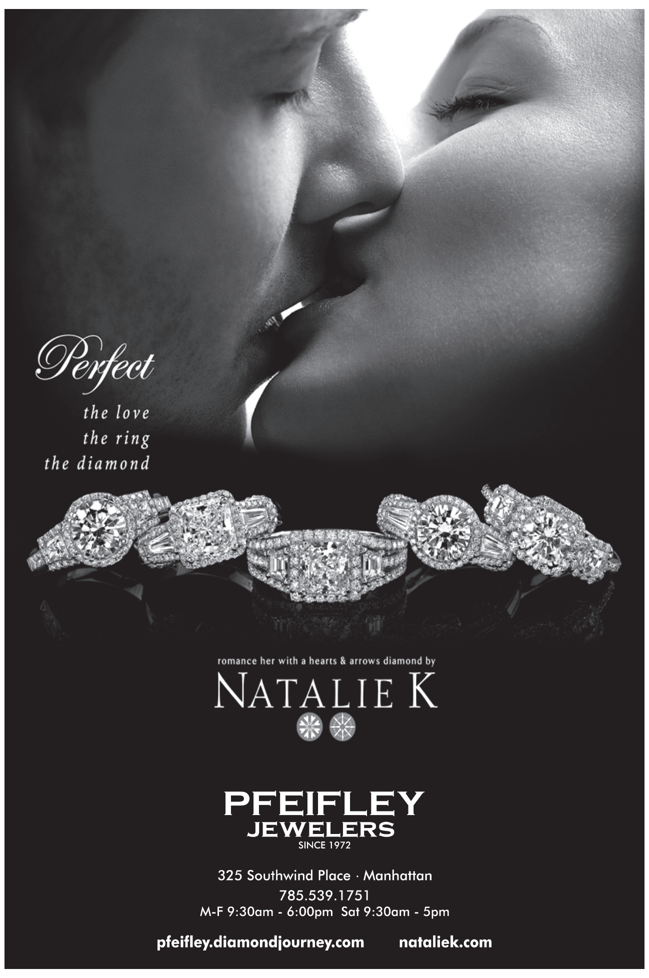

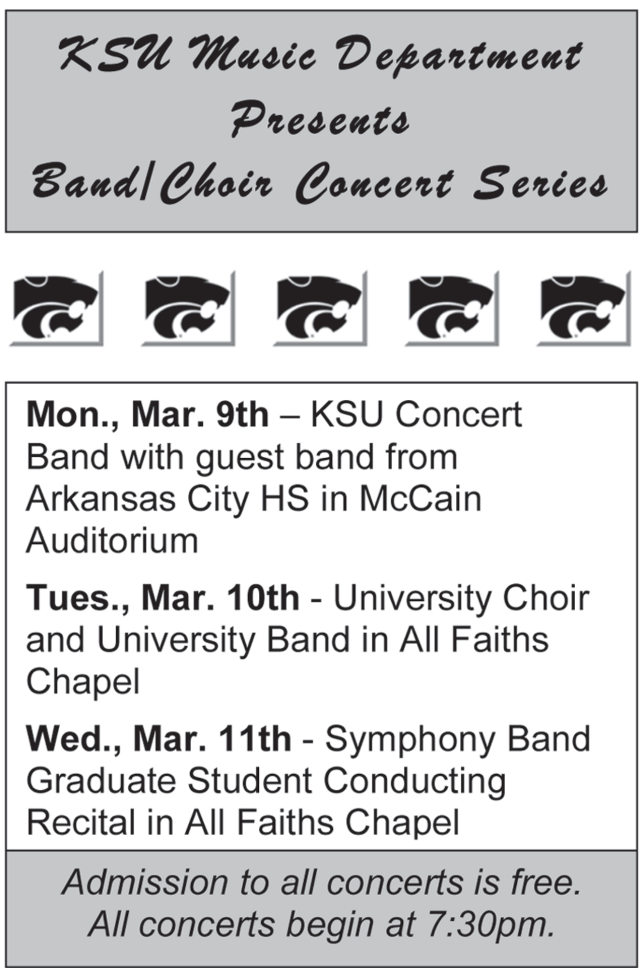

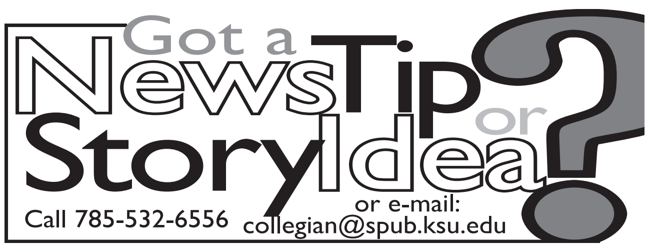

K-State to hold inaugural Arab-American Women Conference

By Gloria Funcheon
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

K-State will be host to a conference this week that is the first of its kind.

The Arab-American Women Conference is scheduled to take place Thursday-Sunday. Speakers from all over the world, including England, Cyprus and Morocco, are scheduled to present their research concerning Arab-American women, said Michael Suleiman, distinguished professor of political science and conference coordinator.

Organizers received more than 70 requests to present research at the conference. Suleiman chose 35 presenters and divided topics into nine panels, which include themes about immigration, literature and media perception of Arab-American women. The panel on health includes a discussion of Sept. 11's correlation to mental and physical health of Arab-American women and their communities.

"After 9/11, there was the idea that all Arabs in the U.S. were suspect," Suleiman said, "so it was difficult for women that could be easily identified as Arab and then became targets for hate crimes."

Stereotyping and its effects are an underlying theme and important aspect of the conference, Suleiman said.

"There is very little information about these women in the first place, and the little we have is frequently incorrect and attached to negative stereotypes," he said.

Mohja Kahf, associate professor of comparative literature at the University of Arkansas, is scheduled to give the keynote speech titled "Scholars, Artists and the Anti-Arab Stereotype: Resistance is Futile – and Necessary." Though her research focuses on the inevitability of ethnicity-based hate, it also calls for active resistance to the dominant – but sometimes invisible – discourse of racism.

"Arab-American women have been very active in many fields, specifically in literature," Suleiman said. "They are writing to change the negative image."

The conference will include a panel on gender issues and feminism of Arab-American women. Carol Haddad, professor in the School of Technology Studies at Eastern Michigan University, is scheduled to speak on Second-Wave Arab-American feminist activism, which was founded in 1982.

"There is much tension between American feminism and Arab feminism," Suleiman said. "Much American feminism has a negative image of Arab women as downtrodden when they are actually very independent and strong."

Sarah Gualtieri, assistant professor of history and American studies and ethnicity at the University of Southern California, will present her research on Lebanese feminist Afifa Karam.

Karam came to the U.S. in 1896 and wrote prolifically on women's rights in the western hemisphere.

Some of the presenters will compare the characteristics of Arab women born inside or outside the U.S.

"There is a generation gap present everywhere that is becoming more pronounced with more traditional people coming over from the old countries," Suleiman said.

He also said homogenous communities are easier to keep tradition and order.

The majority of Manhattan's Arab-American community is students who are on scholarship or are sent by their families to get an American education, Suleiman said.

"Only a handful of professors at K-State are Arab-American," he said.

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CHANG | 'Barely Legal' comedian addresses controversial issues in lighthearted manner

By Whitney Hodgin
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Elliot Chang set up an Asian stereotype and promptly defied it in front of an audience of about 250 Tuesday night in the K-State Student Union Ballroom.

"Funny Asian comics are like UFOs," he said during the show. "You know they exist, but you've never seen one."

Chang has performed at more than 400 colleges. He has also made TV appearances on Comedy Central, MTV, Spike and NBC. This is the third time he has performed "Barely Legal" at K-State.

The hour and a half standup show was preceded by a reception with refreshments provided by the Asian American Student Union and the Union Program Council's Multicultural Committee, which sponsored the event as part of Asian-American Awareness month.

"We had him here last March and he was great," said Christina Patch, president of the AASU and a sophomore in accounting. "He doesn't specify what nationality he is because he doesn't want to alienate anyone."

Audience member John Deterding agreed.

"He was willing to touch on things people wouldn't normally say," the sophomore in computer information systems said. "You could relate to the issue no matter who you were. I don't think people could ignore him because they were laughing too hard."

Henry Huguley, sophomore in geography, came after seeing Chang perform on Comedy Central in the past. "He was hysterical tonight. He's so open about the racist jokes, and we all knew it was comedy. I laughed at everything," Huguley said.

Chang spoke of sex and gender as much as he talks about race and managed to gauge audience reaction well enough to prevent any uncomfortable silences.

But he hardly stayed away from the controversial.

"When you're Asian, people always ask the same stupid questions, like 'Do you know karate?' and 'Do you have a small penis?' I like that stereotype because I always exceed expectations."

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